24 July 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Human Resources Committee

SUBJECT: Fifth OSCOL Meeting

1. The fifth meeting of the HRC ad-hoc working group on open source collection (OSCOL) consisted of a two-day on-location examination of the DoD Central Information Reference and Control (CIRC) System at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio (20 July), and of Battelle Institute in Columbus, Ohio. The latter handles the OSCOL collection task for the CIRC system, **STATINTL** maintains the DoD Foreign Science Library, and helps AF/FTD orchestrate the collection-translation-storage-retrieval process. The undersigned, [   ] Dr. William Dodge, [   ] and [   ] made the trip and were joined in Dayton by [   ]

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2. This was an extensive brief, with more detail given orally and in writing than could be absorbed fully at the time. I have asked for a hard-copy set of the viewgraphs used in the briefing to augment notes taken and to facilitate preparation of an OSCOL brief on the subject. The working group members asked many questions during the course of the briefings and all were answered in a forthright manner. An OSCOL Brief on the CIRC System and Battelle will be prepared and circulated to HRC members.

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3. No further group meetings are scheduled at this time. Enough general knowledge has been obtained now to enable members to pursue their individual tasks (Dodge – libraries; [   ] – **STATINTL** translation; [   ] – exploitation of OSCOL; [   ] – OSCOL Briefs etc.). Several individual task forces may be formed now to address these matters in detail. It is expected that the month of August will be given over to these individual pursuits, after which the working group will reassemble to develop recommendations. The recommendations will deal with the kind and level of OSCOL representation that the HRC should have on a permanent basis. The recommendations will address also the state-of-the-art and potential for improvement in each of the several OSCOL functional categories (acquisition, processing, distribution, exploitation etc.).

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